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March 10, 2009

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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation has completed the review of the following amendment to the Merced County Association of Governments' (MCAG) 2008/09-2012/13 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

4 Financial Element

• The amendment updates the FTIP financial plan to include estimated revenue for the MCAG region based on the proposed American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The amendment adds \$80,000,000 in the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds and \$4,437,777,000 in the Federal Transit Administration(FTA) funds respectively as revenue in the Fiscal Year 2008/09.

See Enclosure.

MCAG has certified that the amendment is financially constrained and meets the requirements of public involvement procedures adopted by MCAG.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve MCAG's Amendment No. 4. I also recommend that FHWA and FTA approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2009 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

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Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Joanne McDermott, of my staff, at (916) 651-7411.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI

Chief

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Enclosures

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